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December 12, 2017

Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

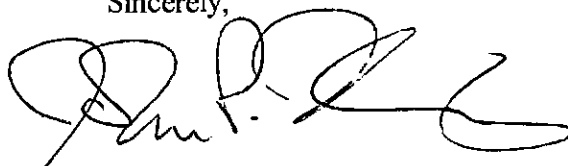
**Re: Project No. 17-035, Manor Court of
Rochelle**

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept the enclosed five (5) support letters from area residents for the above referenced project.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



John P. Kniery
Health Care Consultant

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ENCLOSURE(s)



December 5, 2017

Mr. Jeffrey Mark
Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board
525 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, IL 62762

Dear Mr. Mark:

I am writing in support for permission to build a skilled nursing facility in the city of Rochelle, IL.

I feel that this new skilled facility will be very beneficial to our community, as it will be a wonderful option for people in need of rehabilitation and memory care. I feel the proposed project will provide quality healthcare services that will greatly enhance the lives of our area seniors.

In the past year, I have had two family members need to enter a skilled facility. Because of the lack of updated facilities available locally, we were forced to place them out of Rochelle. The spouses of these family members and myself are older and driving out of town to visit them is very difficult when having to drive back in the dark or if the weather is not good.

Rochelle is one of the largest cities in the County and I feel that the need for a local skilled facility is imperative.

I hope that you will approve the application for Liberty Village in Rochelle.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Paul Lower", is written over a horizontal line.

Paul Lower

December 6, 2017

To Whom It May Concern:

I have been a resident of the city of Rochelle for nine years. During my residency here I have been active in one of the Methodist churches as a lay minister. One of my duties as lay ministers is to visit the people who are confined to their homes or to professional buildings who care for the less fortunate invalids.

One thing I have noticed in my visits is the lack of sufficient facilities at various levels of care for those individuals confined to the care of nursing.

Sure, there are facilities available, but the homes are understaffed, undermanaged, and not in sufficient numbers to accommodate the number of individuals needing nursing or continued medical care.

Therefore....it is my opinion that we need additional medical care at different levels to accommodate the aging population in the city of Rochelle. I am strongly in favor of a new company investing money to build a facility to meet the needs of the different levels of provisional care for our aging population.

Sincerely,



Gerald (Jim) Boulton (resident of Lincoln Manor, LSSI building)
615 Lincoln Highway Apt. 115
Rochelle, Illinois 61068

December 1, 2017

Mr. Jeffrey Mark
Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board
535 W. Jefferson St.
Springfield, IL 62762

Dear Mr. Mark:

This letter is written in support of a skilled nursing facility being built in Rochelle, IL

A new skilled nursing facility would be quite beneficial to Rochelle, as it will be a wonderful option for people in need of rehabilitation and memory care. The Greater Rochelle area is very much in need of health services that will greatly enhance the lives of our area senior citizens.

Presently many of our senior citizens must leave their hometown to obtain these services. In the past seven years our family has had two occasions to use the services provided at the local nursing home. While the staff was very loving and caring, our two nursing homes which were built in the 1960's are limited in the services they can provide.

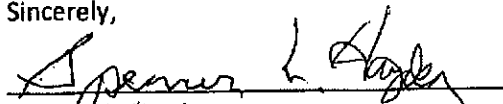
Rehab is available in only one home and has very limited space and equipment and is not offered daily. Privacy is extremely limited as residents eat in the dining area and, also, watch TV and receive visitors in the same open area offering limited privacy for people visiting or for the various activities going on such as church services, bingo, etc. In fact, when receiving communion the only privacy for residents was to receive in their room or go to the rehab room as there is no chapel area.

My brother was a resident as a 69 year old; he was used to having access to a library and computer neither of which was available at the nursing home. His family and staff kept reading materials but there was no area for these to be stored. At least, four residents as well as staff members read his daily newspaper.

Neither building has staff or space dedicated to memory care.

I KNOW this project is vital for the citizens of Rochelle and hope you will approve the application for the proposed Liberty Village of Rochelle.

Sincerely,


Spencer L. Hayden


Karen A. Hayden

December 5, 2017

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525 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, IL 62762

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I personally have two aunts and a neighbor who presently reside in facilities in the city of DeKalb, IL. When the families were looking for a facility to place them in, we found there were none available locally that would care for patients with dementia.

With the population of Rochelle getting older, I feel that the need of a skilled facility locally is great. It would also be more convenient to be able to check on our family members on a more frequent basis if they were local.

I hope that you will approve the application for Liberty Village In Rochelle.

Sincerely,



Richard Ohlinger

12/12/17

To whom it may Concern,

I am a 72 year old resident of Rochelle. My name is Shirley Villa and I have lived in Rochelle all my life. I am a member of the First Presbyterian Church and I manage their Thrift Shop. I believe that it would be a great idea to build this much needed facility in Rochelle.

I had to put my father in our current Rochelle Nursing home due to Alzheimer's. I was highly unsatisfied with the care.

I do think that our town would use all services that are being discussed. Everyone I speak with is in support of building this nursing home.

I have watched this town grow and grow I do not see any reason not to approve something so needed and wanted by the Rochelle Community.

It is not about numbers but about the heart of Rochelle. We are a tight community and will support this facility with our family members.

Respectfully Yours,

Shirley Villa